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- 1. On May 29, 2003, Applicants electronically filed an Information Disclosure Statement in the above-identified patent application pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(b) as evidenced by the electronic Acknowledgement Receipt attached as Exhibit 1.
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- (2) Within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in §1.491 in an international application;
- (3) Before the mailing of a first Office action on the merits; or
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- 3. No fee is required under 37 CFR §1.97(b).
- 4. No Office action has been issued as evidenced by the File Contents History attached as Exhibit 2.
- 5. At the time the electronic submission was filed, the ePAVE program would not accept the validation of the submission without the submission of fee information. Applicants submitted Deposit Account Information including the following comments:

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed electronically prior to the receipt of the first office action. Applicants do not believe that any fees are due at this time. Applicants believe that the fee in the amount of \$180 being charged for this electronic submission is in error. Applicants respectfully request that this charge be reviewed prior to withdrawal from the deposit account. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to withdraw the fee if required.

- 6. A withdrawal from Deposit Account No. 13-0480 in the amount of \$180 was made on May 29, 2003 as evidenced by the Deposit Account Statement attached as Exhibit 3.
- 7. The withdrawal in the amount of \$180 from Deposit Account No. 13-0480 was in error as no fee was required for the submission of the Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)(3).

Applicants respectfully request a refund in the amount of \$180 be credited to Deposit Account 13-0480, Attorney Docket No. 68110328.714. Applicants believe that no fees are required in connection with this filing. However, to the extent that fees are required, the

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Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 13-0480, Attorney Docket No. 68110328.714.

Should the Examiner have any questions with regard to this refund, a telephone conference with the below-signed attorney of record is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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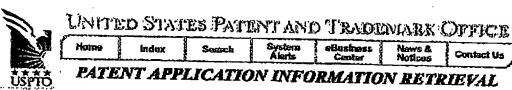
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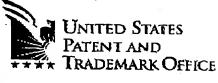
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